

CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for performing the following described work will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Torrance, California, **until 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 23, 2010**, after which time they will be publicly opened and read at 2:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of said City:

**CONSTRUCTION OF
Walteria Reservoir Slope Stability Project, C.I.P. No. I-95
B2010-17**

Plans, Bid Schedule and Specifications are available for viewing and printing by prospective bidders and subcontractors on the City's website at [http://www.torranceca.gov/publicworks/civil and traffic engineering](http://www.torranceca.gov/publicworks/civil%20and%20traffic%20engineering).

Those who only view and/or print the Plans, Bid Schedule and Specifications from the City's website will not be added to the City's Plan Holder list for this project.

The official and required form of Proposal must be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk (310) 618-2870, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California. There is no cost if picked up at City Hall. A payment of \$5 is required if requested by mail. The amount includes tax and is not refundable. A prospective bidder must provide to the City Clerk the firm's name, address, telephone and fax numbers, a contact person and a valid email address. This will ensure that your firm is listed as a "Plan Holder" and that you will be informed of any and all information issued subsequent to obtaining the official form of Proposal. Addenda will be issued only by email and only to those that provide the required information to the City Clerk. Receipt of any Addendum must be acknowledged by a bidder in its submitted form of Proposal.

Full-size 24" x 36" Plans and a bound Specifications booklet may also be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk (310) 618-2870, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California upon payment of \$35 if picked up at City Hall, or payment of \$40 if requested by mail. Both amounts include tax. Neither amount is refundable. The \$35 includes a copy of the official form of Proposal.

If requesting any item(s) by mail, please send check to the following:

**CITY OF TORRANCE
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
3031 TORRANCE BLVD
TORRANCE, CA 90509
ATTN: B2010-17**

The Engineer's estimate of the contract total is between \$350,000 and \$600,000. All work shall be completed within 180 working days from the date of the Notice to Proceed (NTP).

Per Division 2, Chapter 2 of the Torrance Municipal Code, the Torrance City Council may reject any and all bids, waive any informality or irregularity in such bids, and determine the lowest responsible bidder. No facsimile bids shall be accepted by the City.

Bidders are advised that, as required by federal law, the State has established a statewide overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal. To provide assistance in meeting the statewide goal, the Agency is including a DBE Availability Advisory of 9% in this contract. Although bidders need not achieve this DBE Availability Advisory as a condition of award, they are encouraged to solicit bids from DBE subcontractors and suppliers.

Substitution of securities for withheld funds is permitted per Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

The City has determined that a Class **A** Contractor's license is necessary to bid this project, but reserves the right to accept another Class at the sole discretion of either the Public Works Director or Engineer.

This project is subject to the "Buy America" provisions of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 as amended by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet web site at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD>. The Federal minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor are set forth in the Bid book and in copies of this book that may be examined at the offices described above where project plans, special provisions, and bid forms may be seen. Addenda to modify the Federal minimum wage rates, if necessary, will be issued to holders of Bid book. Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free "hotline" service to report bid rigging activities. Bid rigging activities can be reported Mondays through Fridays, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Telephone No. 1-800-424-9071. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report these activities. The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

By order of the City Council of the City of Torrance, California.

For further information, please contact John Dettle, P.E., Engineering Manager in the Public Works Department at 1-3190-618-3059 or via the main office at 1-310-781-6900.